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PARTICULARLY THE ABSOLUTE THICKNESS PRECISION  
AND THE INSTALLATION SAFETY DURING THE HOT  
ROLLING OF STEEL OR NONFERROUS MATERIALS

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